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## **Cooperative Agreement Awarded**

**Cincinnati** - The Department of Energy today awarded a cooperative agreement to the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices (NGA Center) to continue efforts to engage states and to work collaboratively to solve continued challenges posed by waste management and cleanup at DOE sites. Through this cooperative agreement, the NGA Center will continue to provide a forum for states to work directly with DOE on a wide array of subjects including budget and regulatory issues, waste treatment and disposal options, and equitable decisions on waste management. The total value of the cooperative agreement over four years is \$1,635,450.00. The project period of the cooperative agreement will be from October 1, 2012, through September 30, 2016.